

## JOINT ANTELOPE VALLEY AUTHORITY Citizen's Committee Meeting September 2, 2004

Meeting Began at: 2:00 p.m.

**Board Members Present:** Glenn Johnson, Allan Abbott

Citizen's Committee Members Present: Delores Lintel, Mike Morosin, Beth Thacker,

James Cook, Jim Christo,., Pam Manske, James Mastera

Randy Stramel

Citizen's Committee Members Absent: Robert Campbell

Others Present: Amy Cornelius-J

Amy Cornelius-Jones, Wayne Teten, Bruce Sweney,

Duane Eitel, Jane Jordan, Ed Patterson

Order No. 04-01 - Call Meeting to Order -

Allan Abbott called the meeting to order.

Order No. 04-02 - Review of the funding for the September Bond Issue, Antelope Valley and CIP (Capital Improvement Program).

Allan Abbott gave a brief overview of the various funding sources and what each of them are slated to cover [Handouts attached]. The handouts include: the Antelope Valley Projects Map with a bar graph of the time-line for each project, Projects for the \$75 million General Obligation Bond for Building Lincoln Program, p. 104 from the CIP detailing the Antelope Valley Projects and their funding sources, and p. 120 from the CIP explaining the funding sources codes. The entire CIP document can be located on the City's website. The Antelope Valley projects schedule is based primarily on the Corps of Engineers schedule of when they are going to be in the area with the Channel work. The Bridges are scheduled to be built approximately one year before the Channel gets there.

The Bond Issue handout does not list any Antelope Valley projects. The Bond issue is only slated for the projects listed on the handout. It is important to state that there are other street construction projects that have already been budgeted in the City's budget that also are not included in the Bond Issue list. Those projects are projected to be done whether or not the Bond Issue passes.

On the CIP handouts, Abbott explained how certain funding sources could only be used on certain projects and within certain time frames. Some of these restrictions are guided by laws that the City has no control over. Another thing to be considered is that the various contributors are working under different fiscal years than that of the City's. Therefore, the numbers are not always matching up to what is shown in the CIP.

Jim Cook asked if there was some way to incorporate the information from the bar chart with the information from the CIP? Teten indicated that they would work on getting something together.

Ed Patterson inquired about the policy on lost rent compensation due to the acquisition of rental properties. Teten indicated that he would look into it.

Jim Christo asked for an explanation about the funding on the Big T project in the CIP. The amounts shown do not include the East Leg of the Big T. Those funds are not included within the six year CIP. It will be shown in the seventh year. Some financial information of the Antelope Valley projects are not shown in the current CIP because they will be included in the next one.

Randy Stramel voiced concern over the misconception that the Antelope Valley projects are being funded in lieu of other street construction work. He understands that this is not the case, but is concerned about the general public thinking this.

Ed Patterson requested that the sign at the Vine Street project area give proper recognition to the Malone Neighborhood. Jane Jordan said that she would take care of it.

Jim Cook inquired about how to answer the questions from the public regarding what happens when the projects need to keep going but the Federal Government slows it down. Abbott responded that the Corps of Engineers is still the driving factor and as long as funds continue to come in the projects will continue forward. If the Corps does not receive their funds, the City must decide whether to continue, or delay. Cook stated that it is important for the public to realize that this process is in the hands of the Federal Government. General discussion about process followed.

Deloris Lintel suggested that some of this information could be published in the paper to help clarify to the general public what this all means. Jim Christo talked about the Oversight Committee being a good way to show credibility to the public.

Jim Cook correlated Antelope Valley and the By-Pass with the potential of having similar concerns. Abbott indicated that the process is similar for the By-Pass with relation to Federal funding.

It was pointed out that the Mayor's Round Table meetings would be a good venue for Abbott to do another presentation such as this one today. Abbott indicated a willingness to do another presentation.

## Order No. 04-03 - Discussion of the JAVA Citizen's Committee Members' approval of the Redevelopment Plan.

Randy Stramel developed a letter addressing the Committee's approval of the Redevelopment Plan. Jim Cook had a couple of suggestions that Stramel will incorporate into the letter. Mike Morosin is not in support of the Redevelopment Plan due to some of his concerns not being addressed. Stramel will update the letter stating the Committee's approval of the Redevelopment Plan and present it to the Board at the September 16 JAVA Board meeting.

Ed Patterson made comments on the City stonewalling with anyone that it owes money to.

Duane Eitel relayed a message from Kent Seacrest that the September 7<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding Neighborhood Design has been cancelled.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:20 p.m.